

# Summer Activities

**Welcome to Warriors' Path State Park!** We hope you will enjoy your visit!



While you are with us, we invite you to take advantage of the rich natural beauty and wealth of opportunities for enjoyable recreation here at the park.



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### **MONDAY, JUNE 26**

- 3:30 PM MICRO-PARKS** - Here's your chance to plan and share your own nature park. You might even get "paid" by your "customers"! Bring your park managing skills to the Open Air Chapel, (main bath house if it's raining.)
- 5:00 PM NATURE SKETCHING** - Train your eyes to notice the amazing details in nature. Create a lasting souvenir of your discoveries in the park. All it takes is a pencil and a piece of paper! Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- 6:30 PM LAKESHORE STROLL** - Enjoy a peaceful evening at the edge of the lake, as we stroll through the woods and back in time to the beginnings of Patrick Henry Lake. Meet at the main bath house for a short hike.
- 9:00 PM VALLEY OF TENNESSEE** - Enjoy a short slide-illustrated talk about the Tennessee Valley Authority. Discover some new insights into how TVA has affected our land and its people. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or pool entrance if it is raining.

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 27**

- 9:30 AM WAKE UP WALK** - Let's wake up our senses to morning in the forest. Meet at the main bath house for a refreshing morning walk.
- 11:00 AM PAW PRINT BOOKLETS** - Create your own personalized booklets, using local animal's tracks! Your unique design is only a "footstep" away. Meet at the main bath house.
- 1:00 PM BOAT FLOAT** - Are you ready to sail across ponds and puddles? Meet at the Open Air Chapel to build your own bark boat. Then we'll stroll on down to the shore and watch them set sail. In case of rain, meet at the main bath house.
- 2:00 PM MAP & COMPASS** - With a map, a compass, and a clear mind you can find your way through the wild country! Meet at the Open Air Chapel to learn to use these wilderness tools. In case of rain, meet at the main bath house.
- 4:00 PM AFTERNOON BIRD WALK** - Maybe you can't get up early to find the "early birds". Well, some birds might like to sleep late too! Come this afternoon for another walk through bird country. Meet at the main bath house.



- 5:00 PM**      **NOISY TOYS** - How did the pioneer children make music or noise? Make your very own “musical” instrument with a few simple things from nature. Meet at the Open Air Chapel to create some “beautiful music.” In case of rain, meet at the main bath house.
- 6:00 PM**      **HABITAT MEANS HOME** - Come along as we explore a variety of wildlife habitats. Join us to see who is “at home” out on the trail. Drive to the camper check-in station, and we’ll carpool.
- 7:00 PM**      **HOLSTON BLUFFS RAILROAD TOUR** - Our park is tied to history through the rails! Let's hike the old railroad grade, and hear the stories of these old railroaders' lives. Meet at the campground check-in station.
- 9:00 PM**      **OLD TIME RADIO** - Storytelling is a big part of our East Tennessee tradition! And back about 70 years ago, most folks around here got plenty of their best stories from the radio. Come “tune into” some old time radio stories at the Open Air Chapel (or at the pool entrance if it is raining)

### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**

- 9:30 AM**      **BREAKFAST WITH THE BIRDS** - Come wake up to our feathered neighbors. Meet at the main bath house to begin a stroll through bird country! (The first 12 people to come get free doughnut & juice!)
- 11:00 AM**      **OLD TIMEY GAMES** - Enjoy some good-old fun! Try some games from the early settlement days of East Tennessee. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it’s raining.
- 2:30 PM**      **SEED PEOPLE** - Come discover all the things you can create from tree seeds! Meet at the main bath house for some “crafty” fun.
- 3:30 PM**      **NATURE THAT POISONS-** Most of nature is safe and fun. But it’s good to know about some of the not-so-safe parts of nature. Meet at the open air chapel for a short talk (main bath house if it is raining.)
- 5:30 PM**      **NATURE RUBBINGS** - Let's "rub up against" some nature discoveries. Create a lasting reminder of nature's amazing textures. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or pool entrance if it is raining.
- 7:00 PM**      **BIRDS OF PREY** - Meet some real live feathered hunters. Come to the Open Air Chapel and see “who...” is waiting for you. If it is raining, meet at the main bath house.
- 8:00 PM**      **FURRY FLIERS** - There’s no need to fear these furry little pilots! Get the facts about our common East Tennessee bats. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- 9:00 PM**      **TENNESSEE WILDERNESS** - Enjoy a slide-illustrated tour of Tennessee’s wild, scenic places and the special values they hold. After the slide show, we’ll have a demonstration of how to read wildlife signs. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or pool entrance if it’s raining.

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 29**

- 10:00 AM**      **PESKY PLANTS WALK** - Some plants and trees just don’t fit in. Come find out how these "invaders" traveled here, and how they affect our native species. Meet at the main bath house for a short hike.
- 11:30 AM**      **LAKE SIDE HIKE** - Let's enjoy a peaceful morning hike and find some different habitats along the Lakeshore and Connector trails. Meet at the main bath house.

- 12 NOON**     **TEA TIME** - Enjoy an old-timey favorite - Sassafras tea! We'll also "brew up" some memories of the old days along the Warriors' Path. Meet at the Open Air Chapel (or main bath house if it is raining.)
- 1:30 PM**     **PAPER MAKING** - Here's a great way to recycle, and create your own hand-made paper. Meet at the main bath house.
- 2:30 PM**     **OLD TIMEY FIRE BUILDING** - The early travelers along the Warriors' Path had no matches or lighters, but they sure needed campfires! Come learn how they built fires without any modern tools. Meet at the campfire circle, east end of the main campground.
- 4:00 PM**     **LEAVE NO TRACE** - We can enjoy wild places, and leave the land as beautiful as it was. Find out how to hike, camp and leave no signs of your presence. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- 5:00 PM**     **FIELD SWEEP** - This green world at our feet is teeming with amazing life. Help us "sweep up" some field discoveries. Meet at the campfire circle, east end of the main campground.
- 6:00 PM**     **HANDS-ON** - Try your hand at discovering some natural textures. See if you can guess which natural object is which. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or the main bath house if it is raining.
- 7:00 PM**     **EARTHBALL GAMES** - Let's have a ball - a six foot tall ball!! Meet at the Open Air Chapel for some lively, cooperative games. If it rains, we'll have some smaller ball games at the main bath house.
- 9:00 PM**     **CAMPFIRE** - What a perfect combination: A dark night, a crackling fire, and some local, traditional ghost tales. Meet at the campfire circle, east end of the main campground. If it is raining, we'll have an indoor "campfire" at the pool entrance.

## **FRIDAY, JUNE 30**

- 9:30 AM**     **DEVIL'S BACKBONE HIKE** -Come hike to the high places, and get some new views of our park land. Drive to the camper check-in station, and we'll carpool to the start of an invigorating hike.
- 11:30 AM**     **BIKE HIKE TO THE OVERLOOK** -Let's travel together, on bicycle and on foot, to search for signs of the people and the wildlife that have traveled here. Pedal on down to the camper check-in station. Note that ALL riders MUST wear a bicycle helmet!
- 2:00 PM**     **CRITTER PATHS** - Be a critter detective! Find out what's been wandering through the campground habitats. Meet at the camper check-in station.
- 3:00 PM**     **NATURE ART** - You'll be amazed at how creative you can be with nature's own "crayons". Meet at the Open Air Chapel to create your own natural masterpiece. If it is raining, meet at the main bath house.
- 3:30 PM**     **GEOLOGY ROCKS!** - Come discover more about the amazing rocks beneath our feet. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- 4:30 PM**     **NATURE "JEOPARDY"** - Let's try out this natural version of the famous game show. Test your skills and see how much you REALLY know about nature. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- 6:00 PM**     **BIRD MOBILES** - Create your own amazing flying friend! We're going to build some lovely bird decorations! Meet at the main bath house.

- 7:00 PM**     **INDIAN ARTIFACTS** - There's no better way to get to know about these first travelers along the Warriors' Path than to check out some of the tools and supplies they left behind. Meet at the Open Air Chapel to "get in touch" with our past. (At the main bath house if it is raining.)
- 9:00 PM**     **DISAPPEARING WILDLIFE** - Some of the wild creatures that were once found here in the park are gone forever. What happened to them? How can we protect the wildlife we have left? Meet at the Open Air Chapel for some extinction discovery. In case of rain, meet at the pool entrance.

### **SATURDAY, JULY 1**

- 9:30 AM**     **FALL CREEK LOOP TRAIL** -Let's hike the park's most scenic trail! Enjoy beautiful vistas of the summer fields, as we search for signs of the unique habitats in the open country. Drive to the camper check-in station, and we'll carpool to the start of a two hour hike.
- 11:00 AM**   **ANIMAL TRACKS AND TRACES** - Come learn to be a wildlife detective. Find out how to read the stories in animal tracks! Meet at the main bath house.
- 1:00 PM**     **CREEK WALK** - Get on your old clothes and tennis shoes. It's time to explore the cool, clear creek waters. We'll discover a world of amazing life. Drive to the camper check-in station, and we'll carpool. Be prepared to get wet!
- 4:00 PM**     **NOSING FOR NATURE** - Nature is full of amazing aromas - some things smell great, and some smell terrible! Let's use our noses to "sniff out" some new discoveries. Meet at the Main Bath House.
- 5:00 PM**     **TREE TOOLS** - How big is that tree? How old is it? What wildlife could be hiding in it? Come see and try out some of the tools that foresters use to study and protect our native trees. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- 6:00 PM**     **FOSSILS** - You can read the stories of the ancient past in the crumbling stones that remain. Meet at the Open Air Chapel (or main bath house if it's raining) to check out some VERY OLD nature!
- 7:00 PM**     **NATURE GAMES** - Don't miss the natural fun - for the young or the young-at-heart! Meet at the Open Air Chapel for some lively games about our natural world. If it's raining, meet at the main bath house.
- 9:00 PM**     **FOREST TREES** - Take a "hike" from the comfort of your seat. Enjoy a "tour" of our nearby forest habitats using words and pictures. After the slide show, we'll share a demonstration of how to identify our local trees. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or pool entrance if it is raining.

### **SUNDAY, JULY 2**

- 9:30 AM**     **WORSHIP SERVICE** - Enjoy a peaceful morning worship service at the Open Air Chapel, or at the pool entrance if it is raining. Sponsored by the Colonial Heights Baptist Church

***SPECIAL NOTE:*** We work hard to make our programs both safe and fun! However, as with any outdoor activity, there is always a risk of personal discomfort or even personal injury. Please use your common sense and care whenever you enjoy activities in the **Great Tennessee Outdoors.**

